

## CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR SOLDIERS IN EUROPE

**Must Be Mailed According to  
Directions by November 20**  
Labels Given Men.

The men themselves will decide who is to send these parcels. They are now receiving Christmas parcel labels with instructions to mail these labels to the person in this country from whom they wish to receive the holiday box. To avoid any chance of duplication, each soldier gets but one of these labels. Packages that do not bear these labels will not be accepted. In the event of this label being lost it cannot be replaced. No Christmas parcels will be accepted for shipment after November 20. The cardboard boxes, or cartons, to be provided for these parcels are 2 inches by 4 inches by 9 inches in size. When packed, wrapped and ready for mailing these boxes must not weigh more than three pounds.

### Red Cross Provides Boxes.

The American Red Cross has agreed to provide these cardboard boxes and to supervise their distribution to relatives of the soldiers who present the proper Christmas parcel label credential. The distribution of the cartons will be made by Red Cross branches throughout the country. It will be incumbent upon the person receiving one of these boxes to return it when filled, but unwrapped, to the collection point designated by the Red Cross. Here it will be inspected by the Red Cross inspectors authorized to exclude any articles barred by the postal authorities, after which the box will be shipped. In short, the Red Cross is responsible for the distribution, receipt at designated points, the inspection, and mailing of the boxes.

### Outline of Procedure.

The following is an outline of the procedure to be followed by persons planning to send one of these parcels abroad:

On receiving one of these Christmas parcel labels it should be presented at the nearest chapter, branch or auxiliary headquarters of the Red Cross, where the holder will receive a carton. These labels are not expected to reach this country before November 1, but by that time each Red Cross branch will have its allotment of boxes based on the number of soldiers in service overseas from that community.

These boxes may be filled with any combination of articles, except those on the list barred by the postal officials. The articles prohibited are all intoxicating liquors, all inflammable material, including friction matches and any composition likely to ignite or explode (cigarette lighters come under this classification), liquids, and fragile articles improperly packed. Under the postal regulations no note or message or written matter of any kind will be permitted to remain in the boxes. In addition to the foregoing list of prohibited articles, relatives and friends of the soldiers are urged to bear these facts in mind when preparing Christmas parcels:

### No Perishable Goods.

Do not put anything in the package which will not keep fresh until Christmas.

Pack dried fruits and other food products in small tin or wooden boxes.

Give preference to hard candy over chocolates, unless the latter are enclosed in heavy wrappers. Soft chocolates are easily crushed and may spoil the other contents.

Do not put articles packed in glass in the package.

Gifts should be wrapped in khaki-colored or other handkerchief, twenty seven inches square. Cigarettes may be sent, but as they are supplied daily to the men by the Government they may well be omitted.

When the package has been packed it should be taken, unwrapped and unsealed, together with the label and sufficient stamps, to the nearest collection center designated by the Red Cross. After the package has passed the inspection of the Red Cross representatives, as to contents and weight, and been wrapped in stout paper, the Christmas label bearing the address of the man for whom it is intended, is placed on it. The person sending the package, in the presence of the Red Cross worker, is required to affix stamps, sufficient to carry it to

Hoboken, N. J. The postal charges are to be at the rate of fourth class or parcel post zone rate. A label certifying that the inspection has been completed by the Red Cross, is placed on the package which is left in the custody of the Red Cross, until delivered by the postal authorities.

### Proper Form of Address.

Christmas parcels must bear the name and address of the sender and will be addressed substantially as follows:

"Christmas Box Department,  
Port of Embarkation,  
Hoboken, N. J.

For.....  
Organization.....  
American Expeditionary  
Forces"

Parcels so addressed will be chargeable with postage at the fourth class or parcel post zone rate applicable between the office where mailed and Hoboken, N. J., to be prepaid by stamps affixed.

Parcels may bear inscriptions such as "Please do not open until Christmas," "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year," "With Best Wishes," and the like.

In order to assure the arrival of Christmas parcels abroad and the delivery to the addressees by Christmas, all such parcels must be mailed on or before November 20, 1918.

These regulations apply also to our Marines serving with the armies in Europe, but for others of our Marines the Navy regulations published in the Post of Oct. 23, apply.

The postage required on parcels sent from this region to Hoboken, N. J., is for a 3 pound package 15 cents, for 2 pounds 11 cents, for 1 pound 7 cents, and for 4 ounces to 1 ounce, 1 cent per ounce.

Cartons may be obtained by those having labels and will be inspected at the following places:

Stonegap—Superintendent's office.

Roda—Mrs. H. S. Estill.  
Osaka—Mrs. E. F. Tate.  
Appalachia—Mrs. R. W. Holly.

Imboden—Mrs. G. U. Brown.

Imboden—Mrs. H. A. Alexander.

Exeter—Mrs. Crocker.

Keokee—Mrs. King.

East Stone Gap—Miss Christie Jones.

And at Red Cross Home Service Section, office on second floor, Post Office Building, Big Stone Gap.

## Corner Stone

**Of Lee County Industrial  
School Laid By Rose Hill  
Masonic Order.**

Ewing Va., Oct. 31—On Saturday 19, by order of the Grand Master of Virginia the Rose Hill Masonic Lodge formerly laid the corner stone of the Lee County Industrial School.

Typical of the beginning of so many great enterprises only a small number of persons were present on this auspicious occasion.

Sickness of various kinds, particularly Spanish influenza, prevented the people from coming out. Notwithstanding the Masons, true to their promises, managed to secure a sufficient number of their members to properly perform the ceremony.

At 11:00 o'clock they marched in regular order to the place where the stone was to be laid, and there with reverence and solemnity officially laid the stone according to the ancient form of Free Masons.

Dr. I. S. Anderson, of Rose Hill made a short but appropriate and enlightening talk.

The officer taking part in the ceremony, were: Dr. I. S. Anderson, M. T. Ely, M. C. Brooks, W. S. Skelford and F. M. Crockett.

The articles placed within the corner stone should be of great interest to all. They were as follows: Lava from Vesuvius, Stone dug from under Jerusalem, (like Solomon's Temple was built from.)

2 shells from the Sea of Galilee.

1 shell from Jeppa,

Rock from Great Causeway, Ireland. All presented by Dr. and Mrs. I. S. Anderson, of Rose Hill, Va.

Plans and specifications of building, Louisville Courier Journal, presented by W. F. Baker, Architect, Bible, Commencement Programs for 1917

and 1918, "The Jonesville Star" and "Lee County Sun" presented by F. M. Crockett.

Three pieces of silver presented by W. F. Baker, F. M. Crockett and L. M. Miller, Contractor.

In the ceremony W. F. Baker took his place as Architect, while J. S. Z. Willis, clerk, who has been so loyal to this school throughout the entire time, represented the School Board.

Had it not been for the health conditions, doubtless there would have been a very large crowd. However as a matter of record the laying of the corner stone of this school will prove to be an important event indeed.

Rev. Roy E. Early, who has been much interested in seeing the school built, came in for the afternoon. His interest manifested has brought for him a most hearty welcome from all the people here.

## Radford Normal Notes

On Thursday evening the Normal School Faculty and Students had one of the most interesting meetings held in the history of the school. The program, which was of a patriotic nature, was given by members of the faculty. Short speeches by Dr. McConnell, Professors Gilbert, Hardin and Coggin paved the way for the presentation of a War Chest plan by Miss Moffet. This War Chest is to be raised and maintained by the students and faculty for helping in the war activities. It also includes a contribution to Catawba Mrs. McConnell, and Misses Baird and Harrison gave reports of the war work already done by the school this year, namely, the purchase of \$400.00 worth of Liberty Bonds, which are used by the Student Loan Fund, also contributions to the Roanoke Canteen and the establishment of the Junior Red Cross. Miss Allen read "In Flanders Fields" and the students sang several groups of songs. The program concluded with a beautiful tableau of the Allies.

Friday morning the classes met and pledged themselves to support the War Chest. Every student present contributed, making the War Chest a 100% gift from the faculty and students to those less fortunate than they.

## TWO LETTERS TO A MOTHER

Seldom has the difference between the causes for which America and Germany are fighting been illustrated more forcibly than in two letters to mothers who sacrificed their sons to their country.

Abraham Lincoln's letter of sympathy and condolence to the widow Bixby, who gave five sons to the Nation's cause in the Civil War, is known wherever the English language is spoken. It speaks from the great heart of the martyred President and breathes democracy in every line.

A contrast appears in a letter from the Kaiser to a German woman, Mrs. Meter, of Delmenhorst, Oldenburg, who has lost nine sons in the present war. The two letters speak for themselves.

### The Kaiser's Letter.

"His Majesty the Kaiser hears that you sacrificed nine sons in defense of the Fatherland in the present war. His Majesty is immensely gratified by the fact, and in recognition is pleased to send his photograph, with frame and autograph signature."

### Lincoln's Letter.

"Dear Madam: I have been shown in the files of the War Department a statement of the adjutant general of Massachusetts that you are the mother of five sons who have died gloriously on the field of battle. I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a lost so overwhelming. But I cannot refrain from tendering to you

the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save. I pray that our Heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost and the solemn pride that must be yours to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of freedom."

## WHAT "AMERICA'S ANSWER" MEANS

"America's Answer," the U. S. Official War Picture issued by the Division of Films, of the Committee on Public Information, is not the ordinary press agent film play. It is a chapter of the great drama of the war, registered by U. S. Signal Corps photographers, by direction of General John J. Pershing. It is purely a government enterprise. No individual has any profit interest in the production. The picture has been made and it is presented for public consideration, not to make money—although it must necessarily produce a revenue in order to meet the expenses involved—but in order to show the millions of contributors to the several Liberty Loans, the purchasers of Thrift and War Stamps, Taxpayers, and those who have so generously given in other ways for the needs of the war, just how the great sums have been expended and what, in a physical way, has been accomplished in France during the first year of America's participation in the struggle for Democracy.

It shows the wonderful 3 mile dock "Somewhere in France," built on swamp land by American soldiers, and now being used to expedite the landing of our troops and the handling of the stupendous volume of supplies with which the sea from the United States to the coast of France is being bridged; it shows one of the mammoth refrigerator plants established behind the lines, a great plant with a capacity for 10,000,000 pounds of meat, and capable of producing a million pounds of ice daily; it shows the assembling of American locomotives by our soldier mechanics; the building of railways, the leveling of French forests to secure needed timber; the erection of hospitals and the building of a great dam in order to create a reservoir to supply one of the largest hospitals with water; it shows how American soldiers live in camp and on the fighting lines; what they eat, how the daily tons upon tons of bread is made, how the worn clothing is renovated and repaired by French women in the service of the American army; the utilization of old hats and old shoes in a wonderful salvage department; the sanitation of the soldiers' uniforms by machinery; the endless stream of the trucks used to transport supplies to the front; camouflaged guns, the acres of shells and other ammunition, the American Aero Squadron, and, finally, the actual fighting, in which American soldiers have brought undying fame upon themselves and their country.

"America's Answer" is a picture that every American and every near American should see; it is one's duty, but also one's privilege to see it. The Government's Division of Films has done no better work for the stimulation of loyalty and the accentuation of the spirit of giving than the assembling and presentation of this most illuminating war film. Every motion theatre should show it. Every man, woman and child in the city should see it, or if it has not been booked here, they should insist on being given an opportunity to see it.

The weather this fall has been even a better fuel saver than Dr. Garfield's regulations.

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## LADY DUFFERIN



Lady Dufferin, daughter of the second marchioness of Dufferin, formerly Florence Davis, daughter of John H. Davis of New York. Lady Dufferin hails from a line of diplomats, among them being her mother, who saw foreign diplomatic service in Constantinople, Paris and Stockholm. The first marchioness of Dufferin was ambassador to Russia, Turkey, Italy and France, gained many foreign distinctions and wrote several books.

## IS GUEST OF PRINCE

**American Engineer Takes Lunch,  
Seated on Throne.**

Private in Pacific Coast Regiment Has  
Remarkable Experience in  
Monaco.

Somewhere in France—Sitting on a real ruler's throne was the unusual experience of an American private soldier—William Williamson, a member of a Pacific coast engineer regiment—during his recent seven-day furlough. The throne was that of the prince of Monaco.

Williamson elected to spend his vacation on the shores of the Mediterranean. After visiting Marseilles, Nice and other southern France resorts, he went to Monte Carlo. Finding the gaming table denied to soldiers in uniform he went to view the palace. Swiss guards at the gate refused to allow him to enter.

Later, at a cafe he got to talking with a Monaco who spoke good English and proved to have an acquaintance with millionaire American yachtsmen. Williamson told him of his futile attempt to enter the palace. The Monaco offered to introduce him at the door and show him through the palace. He had no trouble in getting in this time. Arriving at the throne chamber the "simple soldier American" was almost overcome with the splendor of the room. He received another shock when his host invited him to mount the throne. After he had become comfortably seated luncheon was served.

Comparing his feast on the throne chair to the many times he had stood at the tail end of a line of 250 men with a mess kit to get his share of bacon and hash, Williamson was prompted to remark:

"It must be very fine to be a prince."

## INITIALS OF ALLIES IN BABY'S NAME

Kirkwood, Ga.—The big war has resulted in the coining of a new name. A baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Williams has just been christened "Abbie." The letters composing the name are the initials of America, Belgium, Italy, France and England.

## NOTHING TO DO BUT FIGHT

**Man Wants to Register Because All of  
Family Is in War or Doing  
War Work.**

Newark, O.—There is a prominent man in this city who is past the forty-five milestone who wanted to be enrolled in the draft. His excuse was that his wife spends all her time sewing for the Red Cross, that his son is in France and that his daughter is taking a nurse's training. "There's nothing for me to do but get in this game in some other way than just buying Liberty bonds and Thrift stamps," he confided to a registrar.

## OLD-TIME TEACHERS ON JOB

**Lid Is Taken Off State Law by State  
Superintendent of  
Ohio.**

Bucyrus, O.—The bars have been thrown down and all old-time school teachers can have a job in Crawford county, whether they have normal training or not. The lid has been taken off the state law by the state superintendent of instruction. One of the teachers in this county this year will be a wealthy farmer, who has not taught for 20 years. He will donate a portion of his salary to the Red Cross.

## Why Suffer?

Mrs. J. A. Cox, of Alderson, W. Va., writes: "My daughter... suffered terribly. She could not turn in bed... the doctors gave her up, and we brought her home to die. She had suffered so much at... time. Having heard of Cardui, we got it for her."

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